the price paid for the land in Rock Creek Park was eight times the assessment. I did not know whether that was the fact or not, and, therefore I did not say whether it was the party of the second that was the fact or not, and, therefore, I did not say whether it was the fact or not. When Mr. George first made the statement, I answered as in a question with the word, "Yes?" and should have been so reported. He repeated the statement (page 431 of the record of the hearing before this committee) as follows:

MHEREAS the party of the second WHEREAS the party of the second without compensation, and in consideration of the public interests to be thereby promoted and subserved, to aid so far as he can properly do so in having said pieces and parcels of ground made a public park on the terms and conditions hereinafter stated:

THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH

George Said Price Was Too High. Mr. George. And the sum paid was \$1,125,215, and the assessment was for \$133,334; so that the Government paid 8.06 times the assessed value of the property.

All I said was: Mr. Glover. Property was not looked upon as very valuable out in that section.

And on page 426 of the hearing, when Mr. Chairman Johnson asked me a direct question as to the assessment of the land taken for Rock Creek Park, I

Mr. Glover. I do not know what the assessed value of the property was, but I know it was taken at vastly more than its real value.

Says He Quoted No Value.

So I put no value upon it before this committee or elsewhere.

The latter portion of Mr. Sims' extraordinary speech of January 15, 1913, on page 1570 of the Congressional Record, contains some of his most extraordinary statements. He says that he is, and has been, opposed to taking advantage of options on land secured for the benefit of the Government, and prefers that the land should be acprefers that the land should be ac-quired by the power of condemnation, and that the owners should get the full value for it. Speaking of this par-

I do not think it reflects any credit upon a banker of large means to have acquired an option on land at not much more than one-third of its value from private owners, and then sell it to the Government even without profit, which is abundantly able to pay all that it is worth.

Cites Another "Insinuation."

In that last sentence he stuck in the "even without profit," in furtherance of the insinuation upon which I have already commented. But, leaving that out, he says that he would rather pay three times the value of land acquired by the Government than take it under an option secured to save the Government two-thirds of its value. This will be interesting reading to his This will be interesting reading to his constituents, and to all who talk about economy in Government expenditures. conomy in Government expenditures, and to all who desire to get things cheaply for the Government. He says in the next sentence;

Another thing: I do not approve of the members of the District govern-ment going around and getting op-tions on land in this District and then lobbying in either house to have us purchase it.

This is his ungrateful allusion to the methods by which the District Compissioners have gotten better bargains for the District government in purchasing lands for public uses, by securing suitable options, than could possibly have been obtained under condemnation proceedings, as the record of condemnation proceedings here and elsewhere abundantly process.

Land Now Worth Millions.

inally, Mr. Sims, after once more credit for saving to the Government \$70,000 for the ravine now dedicated for park purposes by the owners of the tract—\$70,000 if it had been obtained under the option, and, as he says, "in round numbers, \$200,000 if the property had been acquired by condemnation," he winds up by saying that the owners of the property ought to be thankful for the defeat of the bill, since their land "is now worth to them \$2.000,000 to \$4,000,000."

Of course, if Mr. Sims had not defeat.

Now, I have not said any unkind word in the way of adverse comment on Mr. Glover, but I will leave the question to you as to-whether Mr. Andrus or myself ought to be ex-

I am perfectly willing to leave the matter just where Mr. Sims left it, with-out further comment.

Option Was Extended.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT made and concluded this 15th day of January. the year of our Lord nineteen hunared and eight, by and between Charles J. Bell, Amos H. Plumb, and John Cassels, trustees, under decree entered April 15, 1903, in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in Equity

the District of Columbia, in Equity Cause 2345, parties of the first part, and Charles C. Glover, of the city of Washington, party of the second part.

WHEREAS by an agreement bearing date of the 5th day of March, 1996, an option was given to Charles C. Glover to purchase two certain parcels of land, a copy of which agreement is hereto attached and made a part hereof; and THEREFORE it is hereby mutually agreed to and with each other that the said option shall be held and considered as continuing and being in full force, operation, and effect until the termination of the first session of the present Congress (the Sixtieth Congress), and for such time thereafter as may be necessary to obtain the payment of any sum or sums of money appropriated at sum or sums of money appropriated at said session of Congress, and shall then cease and determine and be of no effect.

Witness: CHARLES J BELL,

Witness: A. H. PLUMB, Witness:
J. DONALD CASSELS, JOHN CASSELS,
Trustees.

Approved:
C. J. BELL, Pres. American Security &
Trust Co. Trustee Est. J. W. Thompson
CARRIE S. PLUMB.
By A. H. PLUMB.

MARY IDA THOMPSON,

ROSS THOMPSON.

Text of Option.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT made and concluded this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and six, between the persons whose signatures are hereunto attached as owners of interests in the pieces or parcels of ground hereinafter described, constituting a part of what is known as the Thompson Syndicate property, title to which said property was vested in Charles J. Bell, Amos H. Plumb, and John Cassels by decree entered on the 15th day of April, 1903, in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, in Equity Cause No. 2336, parties of the city of Washington, District of Columbia, party of the second part:

WHEREAS the parties of the first part are the owners of the pieces and dred and six, between the persons whose

WHEREAS the parties of the first part are willing that the said pieces and parcels of ground shall be made and

THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that the parties of the first part, each for himself or herself, and in respect of their several and respective is ests, each for himself and not for the other, in consideration of the sum of one dollar lawful money of the United States to each of them in hand paid by CHARLES C. GLOVER before the signing and sealing of this agree-ment, the receipt whereof is hereby ac-knowledged, and in consideration of other payments, and the performance, of the conditions, hereinafter specified, do hereby covenant, promise, and agree to and with the said CHARLES C. GLOVER to sell to the United States or the District of Columbia, for the purpose of a public park, for and in consideration and at the rate of four thousand dollars per acre and fraction of an acre, all those pieces and parcels of ground in the District of Columbia described as follows:

PARCEL, NO. 1: All these

PARCEL, NO. 1: All that part of the aforesaid property lying to the South of the South building line of Massachusetts Avenue and to the East of the center line of Rock Creek Drive, as said drive is shown on the plan of the Permanent System of Highways in the District of Columbia, and containing three and one

bia; and containing three and one half acres more or less; Also PARCEL NO. 2: All that part of the aforesaid property described of the airoresaid property described as follows: Beginning at the center of Rock Creek Park Drive as shown on the said plan of the Permanent System of Highways, where said center line crosses the property line System of Highways, where said center line crosses the property line between the said property of the Thompson Syndicate and Woodley Park; thence southerly along said property line to the boundary of the said property of the Thompson Syndicate at or near Rock Creek; thence along said property line down Rock Creek to the North building line of Massachusetts Avenue; thence North Westerly along said building line of Massachusetts Avenue; thence North Westerly along said building line of Massachusetts Avenue; thence following said property line of the said property of the Thompson Syndicate leaves said Avenue; thence following said property line in a Northerly and North Westerly direction to its intersection with the North building line of the Observatory Circle; thence along said building line of said Circle in a Westerly direction to its intersection with the center line of Thirty-fourth street, as said Thirty-fourth street is shown on said plan of the Permanent System of Highways; thence due North along the center line of said Thirty-fourth street to the center line of Garfield street is shown on said plan of the Permanent System of Highways; thence due East along the center line of Garfield street to a point three hundred and twenty-five (325) feet distant at right angles from the center line of Cleveland Avenue, as said Avenue is shown on said plan of the Perma-

and twenty-five (325) feet distant at-right angles from the center line of Cleveland Avenue, as said Avenue is shown on said plan of the Perma-nent System of Highways; thence South Fasterly and parallel to said center line of Cleveland Avenue and three hundred and twenty-five (325) feet distant therefrom to the point where said line intersects the center-line of Twenty-ninth street as said of a ninety-foot street; thence South
Easterly by a reversed curved line
to the intersection of the center line
of Rock Creek Drive, as said Rock
Creek Drive is shown on said plan of

tained under the option, and, as he says, "in round numbers, \$200,000 if the property had been acquired by condemnation," he winds up by saying that the owners of the property ought to be thankful for the defeat of the bill, since their land "is now worth to them \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000."

Of, course, if Mr. Sims had not defeated the bill the Government would now have had that land, according to his statement, worth from \$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000, the National Capital would now have had a 100-acre addition to the Rock Creek park, preserving all the remarkable natural beauties in the vicinity of the Connecticut avenue bridge and the Massachusetts avenue causeway (which together cost the District of Columbia \$11,250,000; and also the beginning of the park connection that must be made, and that will be made, but at far greater cost, with the Potomac park on the south.

Sims Proud Bill Was Defeated.

It is hard to see how even Mr. Sims, as a member of Congress, a Rrepresentative of the people of this great country, who desire their National Capital to be the most reasonable terms, can say. "To the extent that I had any part in defeating that bill I am proud of it."

Still less it it possible to understand how any man fit to sit in the House of Representatives could take pride in so malign a private citizen for his years of effort to serve the National Capital. The very last words of Mr. Sim's speech of January is, 1913, are these.

Now, I have not said any unkind word in the way of adverse comment on Mr. Glover, but I will leave the

and the aforesaid Trustees out of and from any piece or parcels of land with-in said thirty (30) foot strips owned or that may be owned by them severally. The covenants hereby made and en-tered into are upon the express con-dition that they shall be executed in their entirety, and that all and not a portion of the pieces and parcels of land herein provided to be set apart and be-come a park shall be taken and paid herein provided to be set apart and become a park shall be taken and paid
for according to the terms herein set
forth.

Upon the performance of the conditions herein prescribed and the full payment of the purchase money herein
provided for to JOHN CASSELS,
CHARLES J. BELL and AMOS H.
PLIMB the trustees who hold the title PLUMB, the trustees who hold the title to the above described property, the said trustees and the survivor or survivors of them shall and they are hereby directed to make, execute and de-liver proper conveyances, and to do and perform all acts necessary in their judgment to carry into effect the purses of this agreement oses of this agreement.
IT IS FURTHER AGREED that this agreement shall continue in force until the end of the first session of the pres-

the end of the first session of the pres-ent Congress, the Fifty-ninth Congress, and shall then cease and determine and be of no effect, unless the legislation herein contemplated and specified be obtained and an appropriation made for the purchase money herein designated at said first session. This agreement is to bind as well the heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns of the parties hereto as the parties

themselves.
Executed in duplicate.
Witness the following signatures of owners. WITNESSES. NAMES. WALTERJ. PILLING. JOHN W. PILLING.

(Seal.)
American Security and
Trust Co, trustee
under the will of
John W. Thompson.
C. J. BELL (Seal.)
Pres.
Trust Officer. Mary Ida A. H. PLUMB HARVEY DURAND. JOHN T. GARVER, (Seal. JOHN T. GARVER, Assignee. (Scal. LAURA R. GREEN. CARRIE S. PLUMB. A. H. PLUMB. Attest:

(Seal.)
American Security and
Trust Co. C. J. Bell,
President.
ALDIS B. BROWNE. JAMES F. HOOD, (Sent. MARY P. STEINLEIN, WARNER MOORE, Warner Moore, Execu-tor and Trustre. MARYP. STEINLEIN, WM. J. LOCKE, (Scal.)

Executor and Trustee under the will of Wm. A. Allison. A. S. WORTHING-A. S. WORTHING TON. p. J. C. Heald (Seal. J. C. Heald (Seal. GEORGE W. WIN.

SEES SKETCH AND DANCES AT HOTE

Southern Wilson and Marshall League Entertains Guests.

Fair Democracy danced to her heart's content at the New Willard last night son and Marshall League. Five hun-

son and Marshall League. Five hundred women, with their escorts, were there.

The dancing was preceded by the presentation of a one-act sketch by Mrs. Albert S. Burleson, wife of Congressman Burleson, entitled "The Secretary." The playlet, which is a burlesque on the life of a Congressman, was performed by Charles S. Western, in the character of a Western Congressman; Mrs. Maud Howell Smith, as Mrs. Masters, his wife; Elmer Nicholson, as a bellboy.

Mrs. Lesher, wife of Lieutenant Lesher, served at the punch table, and Mrs. George A. Armes, Wife of Col. G. A. Armes, U. S. A., was hostess on be-Armes, U. S. A., was hostess on be-Malf of the league.

Mrs. Hoffman, Captain Patton, Lieutenant and Mrs. Camden, Captain and Mrs. Young, Mrs. Belva Lockwood, Congressman and Mrs. Tribble and Miss Tribble, Congressman and Mrs. Dubre, Congress man Carlin, Congressman Fergusson Dr. Clarence J. Owens, Colonel and Mrs McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Costel lo. Lieut. and Mrs. Robert W. Lesher Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lockwood, G. Weld-Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lockwood, G. Weld-man, of New York; Danlei Kelly, Con-gressman and Mrs. William A. Jones, Mrs. William T. Dennis, Mrs. James, Hurley, Miss Eunice James, Colonel Garrard, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Plumer, Miss Wilson, Miss Effebe, Mrs. Stead-man, Miss Chandled, Miss Lesher, Miss Warburton, Miss Herschinger, and Dr. and Mrs. Heustis.

## Chicago to Revive **Old-Time Spelling Bee**

CHICAGO, Jan. 25 .- The old-fashioned spelling bee, when proud mothers in stiffly starched skirts sat in the front line of Twenty-ninth street, as said Twenty-ninth street is shown on said row to see if Clarence could make it or plan of the Permanent System of "chief" and "seize," are to be revived in Chicago. Beginning next week semitor Cleveland Avenue to be the center weekly "been" will be held in the school received. social centers under the supervision o the board of education.

The two who succeed in "spelling down" all the others in each center will then meet in a final match to be held at the Art Institute, at which Mayor Har-rison will preside. The winner there will receive a large banner.

Flies Over Alps.

GENEVA. Jan. 25.-In twenty-five minutes today Aviator Bielovucic took an aeroplane over the Alps from Brieg. in Switzerland to Domodesolla in Italy. in Switzerland to Domodesolla in Italy. He flew above the Simplon Pass route.

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competitors for example?

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# FAMILY SQUABBLE STIRS ALEXANDRIA

Two Men Held in Virginia Subu rb as Result of Street Fight. Council to Authorize Ap propriation for Carrying

Up Annexation Appeal.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU. ALEXANDRIA, VA., JAN. 25. The swearing out of a search warrant by Anthony E. Smoot, of Alexandria; authorizing the police to search the nome of his father-in-law, August Ochlert, police commissioner of Alexandria, under the auspices of the Southern Wil- and another member of the family for a small trinket, was the cause of a

nissing, Justice Caton ase until Tuesday morn

Owing to the illness of Commonwealth Among those present were Mrs. John Attorney C. Vernon Ford, the trial of H. Bankhead, Mrs. Thomas P. Gore, Howard Gaskins, colored, indicted for Colonel and Mrs. Clem, Lieutenant and the murder of his wife, Jane Gaskins, last summer, was postponed until next Friday. His attorney, Lewis H. Ma-chen, has been a frequent visitor to the scene of the alleged crime in order to secure evidence for his client. Gas-kins in his appearance before Judge Thornton on Tuesday entered a plea of

Following the action of city council authorizing an appeal of the ennexation case to the supreme court of Virginia, the attorneys for the city are busy in

preparing the papers to be presented to the court. The record in the case is voluminous, consisting of nearly 1,400 pages and the principal cost of the appeal will be the printing of this document. It is expected that at the next meeting of city council, Tuesday night, an appropriation will be made for the expenses of the litigation.

An important meeting of the Colling-wood Club will be held at its home, on the Potomac, tomorrow afternon. It will be followed by a plank shad diuner which will be served to the members and their friends,

Miss Katherine H. Stuart, field agent for the National Audubon Societies for Virginia, has been invited to take up lecture work in Florida in the interest of the conservation of the wild bird and animal life at that State. She will probably leave her work in Virginia for several months to accept the new work.

Mrs. Victoria Gibson, aged twenty-nine, wife of Hamlet Gibson, died last night at their residence, 424 Orinoco street.

Mrs. Rebeccs M. Scott, wife of Phil Scott, died early today in her home on North Henry street.

At a meeting to be held by the committee on streets of the city council next Monday night, plans will be considered for the street work which will be undertaken by Alexandria this year. Among the first streets to be paved is Royal street, from Prince to Wilkes, a distance of three blocks. The first block is to be paved with either vitrified brick or asphalt block, and the succeeding two with tar macadam. The costs of the paving will be paid by the Washington-Virginia Railway company under an agreement with the city

Two Crowded Cars Collide With Freight Train in Accident Near Lockport.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Jan. 25 .- In a col-

Italian Arrested More Times Than Any Other Person in Town Weeps in Court.

LOCKPORT, N. T., Jan. 25.—In a collision between two trolley cars in this city today, on the International Railway, forty persons were more or less seriously injured and one man was hurt so badly he died shortly afterward in a hospital.

Two cars loaded with passengers, who had been attending the celebration of Buffalo Eagles, homeward bound, crashed into the rear end of a freight train, and the trolley cars were telescoped. James L. Mack, the most seriously injured, died later at the City Hospital.

A sentence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to to a sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to to a sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to a sequence imposing fines aggregating to the sequence imposing fines aggregating to a sequence imposing fines agg

# **AS HONOR GUESTS**

Colonel Garrard Is Host to 600 Lads and Varied Military Program Is Given.

Making a handsome appearance it their natty uniforms, the High School cadets, nearly 600 strong, under com mand of Col. S. L. Leonard, marched from the station at Fort Myer to the riding pavillon yesterday and were giv en seats in a special section as guest of Col. Joseph Garrard, commandant of

of Col. Joseph Garrard, commandant of the post.

Dr. William M. Davidson, superintendent of schools; E. L. Thurston, who has charge of the cadets; Col. Burton R. Ross, retired, military instructor, and several members of the Board of Education accompanied the boys. Practically ever member of the cadet corps was present. These included Colonel Leonard, Lieut. Col. S. J. Tunstall, Majors GFrancis Martin, Ralph Ogle and H. C. Gilbert, Captains R. Wilson and L. F. Kirchner, members of the staff, and Cptains Hoover, Jones Lewis, Nettleton, Noetzel, Baker, Johnson, Burlingame, Blacklock, Nash, and Roberts, of the line.

The regular program was carried out for the entertainment of the boys, with several special musical numbers in their honor. The drill included the following numbers:

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Musical drill, Troop A. Captain Eliting; tandem driving. Troop C. Capt. Warren Dean; bareback riding. Troop B. Captain Berkely: expert driving. Battery D. Lleutenant Burleson; Cossack riding. Troop D. Captain Graham; jumping contest, under charge of Lieutenant Johnston; musical saddle drill. Troop C. Captain Dean

The jumping contest was won by Sergeant Stack, of Troop B. riding horse No. 15, and making a clean record. Second prize was won by Private Wildman, of Troop C. riding horse No. 65, and making a half fault. Colonel Garrard congratulated the boys on their fine appearance, and the cadets cheered the officers and men of the Fifteenth Cavalry and the Third Battery.

## Plumbing 1s Stolen From Vacant Houses

Vacant house thieves have been active during the last week, according to reports made to the police today.

W. A. Craig & Co., real estate agents, reported that the house at 56 R street had been broken into and the plumbing fixtures stolen.

The house at 1619 Wisconsin avenue was entered and stripped of plumbing and gas fixtures.

**New Yorkers Favor** Mack as Diplomat

"I should send this man to jail," said the judge. "He has been fined as much as \$600 at one time in this court for assault and carrying concealed weapons."

Marino wept when the court pronounced sentence, declaring that he was the victim of persecution.

Reports persist that former National Chairman Norman E. Mack is slated for an important diplomatic post under the new Administration. Mr. Mack has been in Washington this week. The New York Democratic delegation is solld in support of Mr. Mack for a diplomatic position.

Thief Forces Lock.

Report was made to the police of the lighth precipct today that the store of inaugural Ball.

ball, if no more. Under the auspices of the National Negro Democratic League it will be held the evening of March 5 in Convention Hall. G. B. Jackson of Richmond is in charge of the arrangements.

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